

SMU Groundbreaking Soon; Singers In Home Concert Sun. May Construction Indicated

Union groundbreaking may be just around the corner. Indications this week were that actual construction of the new Student Memorial union may begin near the end of May. Date for the groundbreaking will be set as soon as the architects have completed the final blueprints.

"We are expecting notice from the architects shortly giving us the date to let the contract," said Pres. C. H. Becker this week.

Contracts To Bid
As soon as draftsmen complete the detailed construction drawings the building committee may then call for bids from interested contractors. Following a brief period which the various companies will need to study the drawings and estimate their bid for the job, the contract will be let and building begun almost immediately.

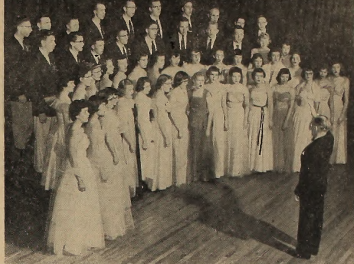
Completion of these detailed plans is still being delayed due to the sudden death of the architectural firm's chief draftsman. How-

ever, everything is being done to see the job done as soon as possible, according to architect Wood.

Estimate \$200,000

Complete cost of the building, equipment and prayer chapel is now estimated at \$200,000. Of that amount, \$100,000 will be appropriated by the American Lutheran Church, the rest to be gathered by the college.

Drawings of the prayer chapel interior are now on display in the case at the south end of Luther hall. These allow two different possibilities for interior decoration of the unit.



Castle Singers are shown as they will appear in their home concert in the Knights gymnasium tomorrow at 8 p.m. Dr. E. Arne Nordveien will

direct the group of 51 voices in a program of religious and secular melodies.

Final Senate Ballot To Be Held Mon.; Joint Confab May 3

Final Senatorial elections this Monday will conclude spring elections and determine membership of the new Student Senate. The incoming group will meet in joint session with the present body on Monday at 3 p.m.

Heading the new student government will be Tom Loftus who takes over student body president's position from retiring SBU President Biedermann. Deane Hufschon is to replace Sid Curtis as vice president.

Class Prizes Picked

Class prizes which will also take shape in the Senate are Paul Revyits, senior class, Walt Filgum, junior, and John Beem, sophomore.

Juniors selected in the primary senatorial ballot last Thursday are Bob Adix, Charles Boe, Howard Boetting, Vito Fink, Ruth Adix, Ruth Fritschel, Rita Knuth and Janet Westphal. Preferential balloting will not be used and one member of each sex must be elected.

Soph Candidates Named

Sophomore Joe Miring, Dick Lehmann, Bob Vogel, Paulus Filgum, Edie Badachewsky, Mary Duffus, Mary Hoh and Eleanor Hansen are listed as the final ballot for junior senators.

Freshmen will elect the representatives from among Fritz Fritschel, Milton Ott, Wayne Weissenbacher, Bob Wessels, Carolyn Adix, Curt Karsten, Helen and Nels Niederwieser.

Mabrey Speaks Thurs.

Miss Glenda Mabrey, visiting teacher in Waterloo for a number of years, will speak at convocation Thursday at 10 a.m.

Student Opinion On Social Issue Varies, But Apathy Listed As Biggest Obstacle



Fritschel

Berg

Koptitz

Krieger

Dockter

By Cy Waincoat
TRUMPET Staff Writer

"What do you think of Warburg's social situation?"

"That's the question asked of six students this week in an attempt to glean student opinion on the controversial subject. Never at a loss for definite opinions on the topic, replies were greatly varied, but all touched on student apathy.

"I think the main trouble is apathy," said Ted Fritschel, senior. "There are plenty of things for students to do but they won't participate. They don't want to get out and do things themselves."

Fritschel went on to say that he thought there was little need for a social director but that an "off-campus hanger" where students could gather away from the influence of professors and classrooms was needed.

However, Lois Berg, sophomore, feels there is not enough variety offered to students in the way of entertainment. "I think the new student union will help, though," she added.

Ernest Krieger, senior, said that a full-time social director was needed and that much of the

social problem was the fault of students themselves. "Turnouts at the social events that are offered, such as plays, recitals, concerts, square dances and the like are a poor indication of Warburg's social attitude," she said.

Union No Cure-All

"I don't believe the new union will be a cure-all," continued. "A building won't change an attitude."

Ira Leo Aden, junior, indicated that the present social problem would be adequate if students would take advantage of it. "I don't think we show enough initiative," he said. "We should be willing to work a little more ourselves."

No Problem At All

The suggestion that there is no social problem at all was offered by junior Ted Dockter. "I don't have any trouble filling my own social program," he offered. "I think the whole thing depends upon the individual. There are enough things to do if only students would enter into them."

Summing up the sentiments of most of the students interviewed was the statement of Dale Koptitz, sophomore, who said, "I believe the social situation is all right—it's just that the kids would rather sit back and complain because things aren't handed to them, on a silver platter."

J-S Banquet Tonight At 6:30 Resolution Passed, Other Action Taken

Resolution asking for college assistance in defraying expenses of delegates to National Lutheran Student seminars was adopted by the Student Senate in regular session Monday evening.

Trumper Awarded All-American Rating By National Group

All-American honors were awarded to the TRUMPET this week as the Associated Collegiate Press released its first semester competitive ratings.

For the fifth time in seven years the TRUMPET has been given the highest possible rating by the critical service of the nationwide association, and this year it is one of the four papers in its enrollment class to be given the distinction.

Special praise was given to general news coverage, balance of news, headlining, advertising, copyediting and makeup. Judges analyzing and rating all aspects of college publications, gave the campus weekly ratings of excellent or above in 14 out of 22 categories. OF TRUMPET coverage the APC judge said, "It is wide and fairly detailed. An unusually good balance seems to prevail, and warrants special praise."

Fortress At Printers, Distribution May 17

With final proof checked, the Fortress, college yearbook, is on the way to the press, according to George Hanusa, editor. Printing should be completed and the book sent to the printer by May 1. Based on this tentative date for distribution has been set as May 17.

Nancy Graess and Ron Retzlaff, juniors, have completed the first draft of the yearbook by choosing their staff. Miriam Foote, junior, has named business manager. Two freshman members of this year's staff, Rich Larson and John Fols, will take associate editorship. The choices have been approved by student faculty publications committee.

Other action taken by the legislators included passage of a bill setting standards for cheerleader elections and discussion of changes in nomination procedures for student government officials.

The resolution requested that the budget committee of the college that a specific allotment of funds be designated for partial payment of expenses necessary to send a delegate to the Washington seminar at Warburg Lutheran held annually at Washington, D. C. SP Fund Reimbursed

At present total expenses are withdrawn from the Spiritual Promotion fund which is in turn reimbursed primarily by the contributions of St. Paul's church. In adopting the resolution, Senate stated that it felt Warburg should play some role in paying a portion of the total expenses, since it receives direct benefits from the experience and report of this delegate.

The cheerleader elections bill provides that a new staff be elected by popular student vote at the beginning of each year with veterans trying out on an equal basis with newcomers. The measure also stipulates that of the five to be elected one must be a male, that an appeal for cheerleaders should be made a part of the orientation program and that final decisions are to be made by the student body at large.

Nomination System Kept

The Senate decided to retain the present nomination system after a discussion of other possible methods as yet.

"We still feel our present system is far from perfect," stated SBU Eric Biedermann, referring to long ballots used in the current elections. "But we haven't been able to decide upon a better one as yet."

Nomination by a special representative committee or board, filing of notices with a certain number of names required, simple "declaration of intention" and write-in ballots were in the current as possible solutions before being dropped.

Atom Controversy Paradoxical Diagnosis—Internal Paralysis

(Replacing former Globe Gossip author Bob Kodras for the balance of the year is Fritz Huerners, senior preface from McLaughlin, S. O. Huerners is also president of World Affairs Forum.)

The Oppenheimer controversy is perhaps the strangest and most paradoxical issue with which the administration has ever dealt.

What makes this particular case so paradoxical? In short it is this—physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer was the most influential scientist in the development of the atomic bomb. When Russia exploded her first A-bomb in the fall of 1949, the U.S. Defense department, through the Atomic Energy commission, called a session of the General Advisory committee to consider a program of speeding up American research on thermonuclear weapons.

Oppenheimer, then chairman of the G.A.C., together with every member on that committee, rejected such a program on basis of moral, political and technical grounds.

On Dec. 22, 1953, Oppenheimer was suspended from his documents because of charges brought against him by the Defense department classifying him as a security risk.

Those are, in summary form, the facts underlying this case. The American people are here confronted with a paradox which seems difficult to understand. There appeared to be no suspicion of Oppenheimer's loyalty when, under his guidance and knowledge, the AEC developed the A-bomb.

But our government believes, and quite rightly so, that any man, regardless of former service to this country, must be suspected from any influential position and denied access to secret files if there is evidence in his actions or behavior that classifies him as a security risk. Such a policy is needed to protect the American people.

Taking sides for or against Oppenheimer is impossible here and is not our aim. The secret trial which is being conducted at the present time seems to be fair in all respects. But whatever its outcome, Oppenheimer will never be able to erase completely the insinuations and suspicions that have been cast upon his loyalty.



Huerners

The big election is over. The cheers have all been emitted, the hats tossed in the air, the cigars passed out and the tears shed. But, in the lull between election day and Outfly, the TRUMPET feels obliged to utter one last whimper on the subject.

First of all, congratulations to Messrs. Loftus and Hutchison.

Then, to the meat of the matter.

Student government has become an increasingly important factor in colleges all over the country. After years of struggle, administrations have, for the most part, seen the need for some sort of self-government by students.

Here this is especially so. The college leaders have a true respect for Student Senate. Sometimes perplexity, disbelief and even fear disturb the complacent relationship, but always there is respect.

However, the anguished cry of student governments all over the country is raised in unison over the utterly frustrating problem of student apathy. The National Student association has spent hours of discussion, reams of newspaper on this subject. Scan any college newspaper that happens to catch your fancy—the chances are great that it will include the words "student apathy."

Again applying the situation to Wartburg, it is easy to see that the student body here is not much different than any other in this respect. Campus events are poorly attended, few students feel that Senate is worth more than a passing "Hal What have they ever done for me?" and the social barometer drifts steadily downward.

And so it is obvious that the task set before next year's student government is not to scrap futilely with the administration over such vital issues as "areas restricting pinchole, pool and crap games," but should intensify all its efforts upon making the Wartburg student body a group that takes an active interest in itself as a group, and not a motley assortment of "I don't care" mumbler.

Of course, Student Senate should never become a tool of the administration. But at least some respect is generated from this direction.

Do the students respect their own government?

For 2 Cents I'd ...

By Jerry Haver

Once a year this columnist steps down from his usual podium of ill humor to take a look at the world situation. Since my good friend Mr. Kodras, who used to write the political column, has been exiled to Iowa State, I shall take the burden on my well-wounded shoulders.

— Castle Singers Tomorrow Night —

(The above statement has nothing to do with the world's problems, but you just don't turn down \$10.)

Good afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Wartburg and family. Ah, yes, there'll be news tonight. And empty pockets tomorrow.

Flash ... presidential quote ... "It looks like we'll be going Indiana soon. Thank you, Mr. Gaffney. A letter for me?"

Oh thank you. Oh ... oh ... furskaginner.

France. According to a notice the college bookstore now has "the latest type French ... cut in half." Somebody left out the word "price."

The Army Air Force Chief of Staff says ... "There's nothing wrong with the B-50s that 10 or 12 of them wouldn't destroy."

Feed Gomerphew, who just returned from Washington, related the Washington situation to us.

He was tested in a chair. A man came up to him and said ... "Is Senator McCarthy?"

"Oh," answered Fritz. "I'm not sure, but I think he's a senator."

"I ... I ... What did you say, Charlie?"

"No! No! Not Charlie ... Joel Joel!"

"Oh," said Fritz. "I thought it was Charlie. Everybody says you're a blockhead."

It was a nice trip. Luckily the senator figured him too stupid to be a first year student in his home.

Switzerland is starting a new movement in watches. (That wasn't really worth too much was it?)

So, with this latest bit of up to date news we bid you farewell and see Castle Singers ... Where's my 10 bucks?

STAFF SQUEAKS

THE ONLY DIFFERENCE between learning how to drive a car and learning how to play golf is that you don't hit anything when you learn the game of golf.

IT HAS HAPPENED—spring has arrived! You need proof? A couple was seen sitting on the stone bench by the fountain, and they were desperately trying to save room for others.

Wartburg's Week

Monday, April 26
7:30 p.m.—College club, Little Theater
8:00 p.m.—College singers concert
Tuesday, April 27
10:00 a.m.—Faculty meeting, faculty lounge, Little Theater
Wednesday, April 28
8:00 p.m.—Waverly High school band
Thursday, April 29
10:00 a.m.—Waverly High school band
Friday, April 30
10:00 a.m.—East Gurnee, Little Theater
1:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m., room 201, Little Theater



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Gonnerman Finds Spiritual Feeling in National Figures

By R. F. Mills
News Editor, TRUMPET

"Politics and Christianity not only can but are being integrated in today's national government," said Fred Gonnerman, junior, upon his return from the fifth annual Washington seminar for Lutheran students held at the nation's capital last week.

Sponsored by the National Lutheran council and the Missouri synod, the seminar was attended by 100 students from many of the leading Lutheran churches in Canada, Korea, Austria, and Germany. Comprising 17 speakers and six hours of Washington, D. C., into two and one-half day sessions, the students turned home with new realizations of how each citizen has a strong voice in the government if he will use his influence—by writing personal letters and sending telegrams to the responsible people.

Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, director of the Office of Defense Mobilization, informed the delegates of the tremendous need for the U. S. to strengthen its spiritual foundation and provide the spiritual leadership without which peace is impossible.

"I was most impressed with the reliance upon God displayed by many of our men in government and their consideration of the good of the people rather than of a few individual citizens in their some states," addressed Gonnerman.

Addressing the seminar, Robert L. Leffaron, assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Atomic Energy, declared that atomic weapons are more important than any developments in the field of atomic research. Leffaron stressed that the important element is what the people think and establish in their political, moral and religious life rather than the area of atomic weapons.

Among the other speakers, all of whom held responsible positions of leadership in the U. S. was CIO President Walter Reuther. Speaking to the group on labor-management relations, he declared that the U. S. has created a great moral vacuum in the hearts of people throughout the U. S. and the world.

"What we need is to fill this vacuum with positive spiritual values if peace is to be possible; otherwise, an immoral element will gain control and war will be inevitable," Reuther pointed out.

"Along with the opportunity to are and visit the capital," concluded Gonnerman, "it was not only educational but heartwarming to find and realize that large numbers of our top government officials are influenced by and practice Christian principles."

Chellebold's Paper
Published By Iowa

Dr. J. O. Chellebold's research paper, "Navigation Instruction of Naval Officers," published by the Iowa Academy of Science for 1953, has been published recently by the state of Iowa.

The paper is a discussion based on lectures in mathematics which graduates are required to know for an understanding of navigation.

Schroeder Winner
In Editorial Contest

Dick Schroeder, senior, was announced this week as winner of the \$40 first place prize in the Wartburg group participation plan of the 1953 Roberts Editorial Contest series.

Winners of \$5 second place prize were Eugene Boescher and Deane Hultisen, juniors, and Deane Peterson, senior.

Notify Mags On Address

Magazines and newspapers should be notified of student address changes by the end of the month, according to Mrs. Wilmut Frueling, manager of the college bookstore. The campus post office can forward only first-class mail.

Officer Applications
Taken By Marines

The Marine Corps is accepting applications of senior college men for an officers candidate course convening at Marine Corps School, Quantico, Va., on or about Nov. 1, 1954.

Deadline date for processing applications is June 25. Interested students may apply in person or by writing United States Marine Corps, Federal Office Building, room 172, Washington second avenue south, Minneapolis, Minn.

9 Teachers, 6 Parish Workers Placed

Nine more teachers and six parish workers have been placed in positions this week. Six of the former are completing two-year courses, two four-year and one a special course. The parish workers are taking two-year courses.

Jim Selter, senior, will instruct high school music in Marble Rock. Taking positions in Waverly schools will be seniors Sator Becker, kindergarten at Lincoln.

Featured at convocation Tuesday was the Rev. Alfred Walck, Jr., who illustrated by story and slides the work missionaries of the American Lutheran church are doing on the island of New Guinea.

Home on, through after serving 7 years as a missionary, Mr. Walck displayed the activities, interests and teaching techniques used in the boys school where he and his wife had been teaching.

"Sometimes we wonder if we are doing any good for the boys," the missionary remarked, "but, when we look at the superstitious and fearful faces of the natives from the central highlands and then at the faces of our boys, we can readily see the effect the gospel has had."

Jaret Reinhardt, fourth at Irving.

Two-year teachers who have accepted positions include Kawa Hartwig, fifth in London, Roberta Ralm, kindergarten in Keyston, Frances Overter, second at Gladbrook, Jean Schroeder, second in Grottenburg, Mrs. Einar Siga, fourth, fifth and sixth in Iowa, and Donna Wiese, rural school near Bayona.

Wittenberg Granted
Math Assistantship

Charles Wittenberg, senior, has been granted a graduate assistantship in mathematics at Iowa State University of Iowa, Iowa City. He will work in actuarial science.

This is the second assistantship math majors have received this year. One Kodice is at Iowa State University college. Ames, where he began his graduate work at the spring quarter.



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Recital Wednesday
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Music students of Miss Ruth Preusser and Dr. E. A. Hovdeven, piano and choir, will offer recitals, will be presented in a musical recital Wednesday at 12 noon in room 10 of Old Main.

All Miss Preusser's students will present Chopin pieces; Jeanette Schmeider, freshman, and Harvey Tiede, sophomore, will play piano; Dolores Bude, senior, "Ma ruka," and Louis Kuehn, sophomore, "The Little Boat," will sing. Freshman student of Dr. Hovdeven, will play "Caravan" by Scriabin.

Presenting vocal solos are Don Rice, senior, offering "Where My Caravan Has Rested" by Louis Kuehn, "I Wander This Summer Morning" by Franz, Harvey Tiede, "Song of the Open" by La Forge, Bill Wiedersheim, sophomore, will sing "Wohin" by Schubert; Virginia Carlson, sophomore, will sing "The Rose Tree" and Esther Herforth, freshman, "Rugby-dose Odorose" by Scarlatti.

7 At State Science Meet

William Ashbell of the physics department; Dr. J. O. Chellebold, mathematics; Dr. G. Frueling, psychology; Dr. Elmer Herford, Fred Hebbard and Dr. Leo Petri, biology; and Dr. A. W. Swenson, chemistry, will attend the meeting of Iowa Academy of Science April 30 and May 1 at Iowa State college, Ames.

2 Students Engaged

Two engagements involving Wartburg students took place over Easter vacation.

Patricia Grasko, junior business major from Webster City, Iowa, engaged to Kenneth Lutz, a '53 Wartburg grad from Hawkeye who is teaching business administration at Elmira.

Everett Blohm, senior music major from Coatsburg, Ill., gave a diamond to Jean Bude, a '53 Wartburg two-year teacher from Madison, S.D., who is teaching first grade in Reitzbach.

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Organizational News

RAIOG FRAT APPROVED

Wartburg chapter of Pi Beta Phi national honorary and professional radio arts fraternity has received final approval by the Wartburg board of trustees.

The Beta chapter has chosen as its advisor Charles Dekker, dean of the college, and drama department and an alumnae member of the original organization.

Qualifications for admission, rules and aims of the chapter are to be determined by the local group. However, the national organization forbids admission of freshmen into the fraternity.

PINKIE REGIONAL PRES

Joe Fiske, junior, was elected northeast regional president of the Future Teachers of America at a recent meeting held on the Upper Iowa university campus at Fayette. Miss Stella Austern, of the teaching faculty, and 24 members of the Wartburg chapter attended the conference.

At the last annual meeting of FTA, Walter Schulz, junior, was elected president of next year's local chapter and Miss Austern was again chosen as advisor.

LOCAL LSA HOSTS CAMP

Wartburg's LSA will be host to the Iowa region Little Ashram to be held at Camp Ironwood near Waverly April 30 to May 2.

All Wartburg students are urged to attend, according to Paul Lewis, president of the campus Lutheran Student council. Total cost of the convention per student is \$4.50.

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Listings for Bible discussion groups tomorrow at St. Paul's parish hall, at 8 and 9 a.m. include: Rev. Ridsdell, "Campana Gospels" chapter 12; Ted Dockter, Zeck 1-14; Delwood Reichelderfer, Roman 5; John Oberdorfer, Acts 8; Heuben Schmidt, 1 Peter 5; Jeazette Schmoor, 1 Timothy 6.

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